



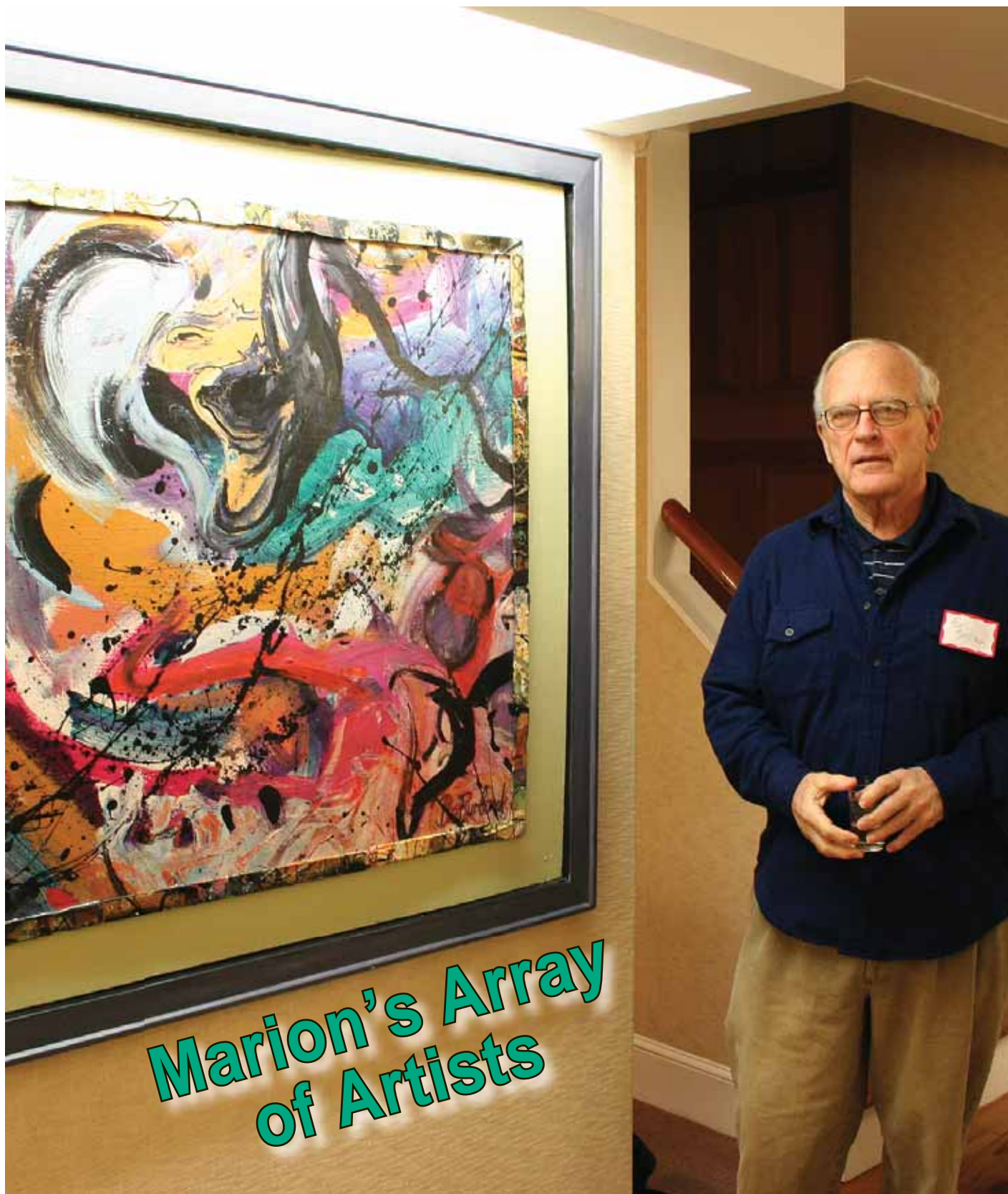
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Up and Running

Andrews, Randall to Vie for Mattapoissett Selectman

By Kenneth J. Souza

Bucking the more recent trend of having uncontested races for the town's top office, Mattapoissett now joins her sister community of Rochester in having an early two-way race for the open three-year Selectman's seat in this year's Annual Town Election.

Incumbent **Raymond Andrews** took out nomination papers for his fourth consecutive three-year term of office on January 14 but will face a challenge from first-time candidate **George "Podgie" Randall**, who also pulled the necessary nomination papers from the Town Clerk's office on January 16.

At press time, neither candidate had yet returned the necessary signatures to place their name on the May 20 election ballot. The deadline to file signed nomination papers is March 31, 2008.

In a written statement announcing his candidacy for re-election, Mr. Andrews noted: "It has been my honor and privilege to have served the residents of Mattapoissett in various positions since 1992. Since 1999, the voters have

Right: Flutist and Marion resident Wendy Rolfe and pianist Deborah DeWolf Emery will perform a tea-time concert titled "Romance & Dance!" at the First Congregational Church of Marion on Saturday, January 26 beginning at 5:00 pm. The program will feature lively tangos, Brazilian dances, lyrical romances, and Eastern European folk rhythms by



world-renowned performers. Suggested donations at the door of \$8 (\$4 for students) will benefit the music program at the First Congregational Church. For more information, please call 508-748-1053.

On the cover: Marion Art Center (MAC) member and artist Bo Burbank poses alongside his vibrant painting, "Let It All Out, Don't Keep It Inside," during the recent opening reception of the 2008 Winter Members Show at the MAC. The show features 73 pieces submitted by over 35 of the MAC's members divided between the building's two main galleries and is open now through February 28. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, and Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. (Photo by Robert Chiarito).

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allowed me the opportunity to serve them as a member of the Board of Selectmen. Much has been accomplished in the past nine years. The town's Stabilization Fund has risen from \$130,000 to over \$1.5 million. Our bond rating has risen to a AA- rating which has saved the town hundreds of thousands of dollars in long-term debt interest. Mattapoissett has met the educational needs of our K-6 students for the future. We have followed the recommendations of the UMass Dartmouth Center for Policy Analysis to implement the majority of its recommendations to bring Mattapoissett into the 21st century. The Board of Select-

Right: Claude and Donna Cobert will perform with the SouthCoast Chamber Music Society when they present concerts in Marion and New Bedford that span the globe. The concerts, which offer works by Russian Dimitri Shostakovich, Englishman Gerald Finzi, and Italian-Argentinian Alberto Ginastera, will take place at the Marion Music Hall on Thursday, February 21, at




7:30 pm, and in New Bedford at the Grace Episcopal Church on Sunday, February 24, at 3:00 pm. Tickets (\$18) are available in advance at The Bookstall in Marion and The Symphony Music Shop in Dartmouth, or at the door on the day of the concert. For more information, please go to www.southcoastchambermusic.org or call 508-992-4739. Story page 14

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Addressing the reason he is seeking another three-year term after already serving nine years in office, Mr. Andrews said: "The short answer is that much remains to be done. As Chairman of the Elementary School Building Committee, work still remains to finish the Elementary School Building projects. This job has been left to the (ORR School District) and myself to complete. Mattapoisett still has not addressed the issues of affordable housing for moderate- and low-income families. Is there a quick fix to this challenge? The answer is no, but something must be done to address this challenge, and I would like to be able to contribute to the solution. Additional challenges are before the town, and we have a Board of Selectmen that work well together on behalf of the town, and I would like to remain part of this team in service to the community."

A well-known figure around town and lifelong Mattapoisett resident, first-time candidate George Randall has been a strong and vocal proponent of keeping the town affordable for those who have lived here for generations. As evidenced in his recent push to retain Mattapoisett's existing town seal when officials suggested it be changed to make it more politically-correct, Mr. Randall can be an influential force when he believes in something

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strongly enough.

"I just want to keep Mattapoisett the way it is (and) ... I want to keep Mattapoisett affordable for all residents," Mr. Randall said when asked why he is planning to run for the Selectman's seat. "We just need to keep it affordable. We have to address the health and welfare costs that the town (residents) pay. It's getting way out of hand. Every year (costs) go up and we pay more and more. There's people living in this town who don't have any insurance because the taxes are too high."

A familiar face at every Town Meeting and better known to most residents from his job at the Mattapoisett Transfer Station, Mr. Randall is never shy about expressing his opinions and belief in the democratic process.

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"I've been in town for a long time and I know the residents," Mr. Randall said. "I work at the Transfer Station and ... I talk to people on a regular basis. I listen to them and what they have to say. I hear both the good and the bad ... and I feel I can make a difference."

When asked how he feels about challenging an incumbent with nine years' of experience under his belt, Mr. Randall put it in simple terms.

"I'm just a common man, with a common cause, and common sense," he said. "I'm a big believer in democracy and I believe voters should have a choice."

Other positions up for consideration on the May 20 Annual Town Election ballot include:

- Town Clerk (Barbara A. Sullivan, incumbent);
- Board of Assessors (Rebecca H. McCullough, incumbent);
- Mattapoissett School Committee (open seat, *Elizabeth Henderson Milde is not seeking re-election*);
- ORR School Committee (Nicholas C. Decas, incumbent);
- Board of Library Trustees, 2 seats (Robert H. Atkinson and Elizabeth A. Theriault, incumbents);
- Town Moderator (John A. Eklund, incumbent);
- Water/Sewer Commissioner (Daniel W. Chase, incumbent);
- Board of Health (Camelo Nicolosi, incumbent);
- Planning Board (open seat, *Laura J. McLean is not seeking re-election*);
- Mattapoissett Housing Authority, 2 seats (Margaret M.

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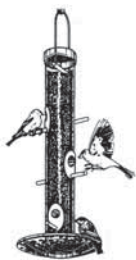
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DeMello, incumbent; and Deborah M. Bailey, candidate);
• Community Preservation Committee (John N. DeCosta Jr., incumbent).

The last day to take out nomination papers from the Town Clerk's office is Friday, March 28. The deadline to return signed nomination papers is Monday, March 31 and the last day to register to vote in the May 20 Annual Town Election is April 22, 2008.

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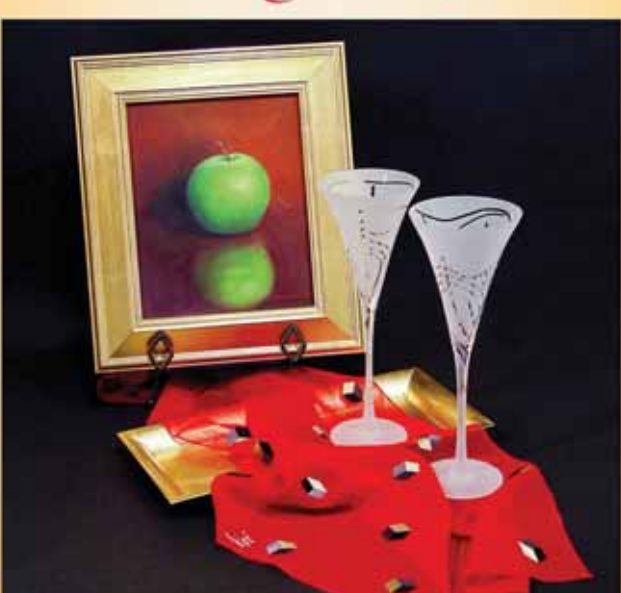


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An Array of Artists

Marion Art Center Opens Members' Show

By Robert Chiarito

The Marion Arts Center invited the viewing public to join them for the opening of their Winter 2007 Members Show on Sunday, January 20. The show features 73 pieces submitted by over 35 of the Art Center's members divided between the building's two main galleries.

The opening night of the show brought many of the artists out to the Marion Art Center and gave patrons the opportunity to meet and mingle with the artists, ask a question about the work or simply enjoy the art. For the artists the show is a chance for them to display their works in a beautiful gallery without regard to level of experience or status — from seasoned professionals to hobbyist seeking an outlet for their creative side. The majority of the artwork is for sale and will be available for public viewing until the show's close on February 28.

The Winter Member's Show is a wonderful collection of work by the Marion Art Center's membership body showcasing a variety of media and styles with a theme of landscape running throughout the show. Some of the highlights include Betty Beaulieu's paintings "Cuttyhunk Chairs" and "Eastover Farms." Ms. Beaulieu employs two distinctly different types of pigment, the first piece being rendered in watercolor while the latter is an oil painting, yet she conveys a similar style and tone to each piece as she invites the viewer into the painting by way of the edge of each scene, cropping elements at

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the periphery creating a sense of wonder as to what one might find if they were to turn slightly to their left or right.

Other highlights include Bo Burbank's' abstract canvas, "Let It All Out, Don't Keep It Inside," a frenetic whirl of paint that recalls the New York school of the expressionists from the mid-twentieth century. Eulita Rocha's "Mending Nets" is an almost meditative look into the lives of a group of fishermen taking a moment to repair their equipment before setting out for their next catch. The piece has a touch of Edward Hopper's work, as each of the figures remains solitary despite being surrounded by others.

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The Marion Art Center Will present *The Curious Savage*, a comedy by John Patrick directed by Rex McGraw, beginning February 29. For a list of events you can visit the gallery and pick up a copy of the organization's newsletter or you can find more information at their website **www.marionartcenter.org**. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, and Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

**New Chapter
Mattapoisett Library Renovations
Nearly Complete
By Robert Chiarito**

The dust has settled for the most part and the finishing touches are being added as the Mattapoisett Public Library is nearing completion on a renovation that will see a facility that has nearly tripled in size during its two-year facelift. Officials from Barr Inc., the company in charge of the project, and Library Director Judy Wallace are readying the building for a February 9 Open House that will give members of the public a first look at



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At first glance, one will notice the painstaking attention to detail that has gone into the design that has not only made the building beautiful to look at, but also efficient to operate. Light pours into the building from every direction regardless of where one stands inside the library. The ground floor that will house the children's section — though below street level — is an open, airy and inviting place full of color and light. The children's area has benches built into the wall of the structure that were designed with smallest readers in mind. The rest-room is equipped with a changing area so parents will be comfortable knowing there is a place to tend to their child's needs. The space is also designed in a manner that gives the librarian sight lines and visual access to the children's space whether they are stationed at the circulation desk or in their office. One of the more unique features of the ground floor is a security gate that was made from the recycled steel lattice grates that were removed from the lower story's windows to accommodate the buildings new wings.

The lower portion of the south wing will house the staff's break room and will also be the home of a state-of-the-art meeting room. The room is designed for multimedia presentations and is also wired with surround sound and equipped with a drop-down screen allowing the library the means to present educational material or show a film. As visitors enter the stairwell in the south wing they will once again be met with a burst of sunlight pouring in through the grates in the lower portion of each stair. The south entryway connects the library to onsite parking for the first time in its history and is also where visitors will find the building handicap access. A three-stage elevator is on the premises eliminating the need for



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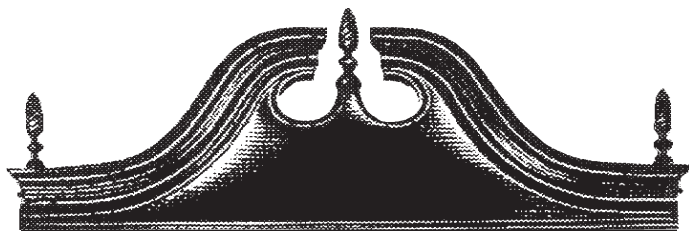
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Times for the planned February 9 public Open House will be announced soon. The day will include tours and door prizes as well as other activities. The library will use the winter school break to move its books to their new home from the Center School location that has served as the library's temporary location for the past two years.

Winter Moods

SouthCoast Chamber Concert in Marion By Robert Chiarito

Winter is a great time for music lovers on the Southcoast as a number of different groups take their turns, making the rounds throughout the area as the mercury dips and the short daylight hours force people indoors. On Thursday night, January 10, the SouthCoast Chamber Music Society brought their ensemble of world-class musicians to the Marion Music Hall for an evening of sublime musical pleasure as they presented their "A Very French Program" celebrating genius of four of France's finest composers.

As is often the tradition when the Chamber Music Society performs, the organization's president, Tony Lewis, began the evening with an informative and entertaining lecture dissecting the stories behind the compositions that were about to be performed. Mr. Lewis' impassioned talk gave the listening audience a sense of the incredible confluence of talent from the world of literature, art and music that made the Paris scene of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries one of the most fertile creative grounds in the history of the arts.

"What happened in Paris at this time," according to Mr. Lewis, "is that Paris became a mecca for artists, for writers, for designers, for dancers in a way that no other city has since." He went on to cite the influences that music had on painters and the reverse effect that artists had



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The four pieces performed this night were written over the span of about 140 years dating from the 1830s through the 1970s with the first half of the program concentrating on the newest and the oldest pieces while the second half centered around the period of which Mr. Lewis spoke so eloquently of during his pre-performance talk. The first piece of the evening was Jean Francaix's *Quatuor* played as a quartet of violin, viola, cello and English horn, a wind instrument from the oboe family that occupies the tonal mid-range between oboe and bassoon. At times Donna Cobert's wind instruments' tone and timbre were such that the piece sounded much like a string quartet. The three string players — violinist Piotr Buczek, Cellist Timothy Roberts and viola player Don Krichnaswami — blended their instruments' voices through all of the piece's creeping scales and whispered harmonies to create a piece of music so delicate and beautiful that it would unravel completely if you were to remove one of the voices from the others.

The second piece, Hector Berlioz's mournful love song *Les Nuits d'ete Op. 7*, or *Summer Nights*, was per-

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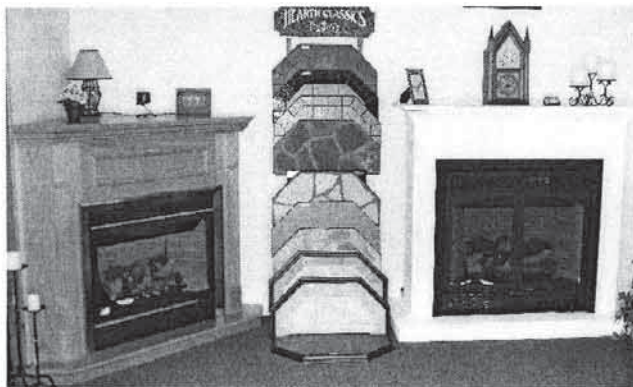
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The second half of the performance opened with Albert Roussel's *Les Joueurs de Flute* which followed the stories of four famous flute players from literature and myth, like Pan from the Greek tradition, in musical form. Ms. Amper again more than ably played the accompanying part, this time to flutist Claude Cobert's flute creating a shimmering glint of sound, one instrument reflecting the notes of the other.

The night's finale was Maurice Ravel's masterwork, *Quartet in F major*. Violinist Aija Silina joined the three string players from the night's first piece as the four musicians attacked the piece with the type of energy usually associated with a rock band. Piotr Buzcek's violin soared above the group as he thrashed in his seat playing like a man who treated each performance as if it might be his last, giving the audience a stunning visual to combine with one of the most beautiful pieces of music that the old Music Hall on Front Street has probably heard in her 100-plus years.

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For more information about the group and tickets for these and other performances, you can go to the South Coast Chamber Music Society's web site at www.southcoastchambermusic.org.

Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

January 22, 2008

By Eletha M. Yeaton

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, January 22, 2008 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Raymond H. Andrews. Also present were Selectman Jordan C. Collyer, Town Administrator Michael J. Botelho, and Assistant to the Town Administrator Melody Pacheco. Selectman Steve Lombard was not present for the meeting.

The board first voted to approve the minutes of the January 8 meeting of the board. Following this, they



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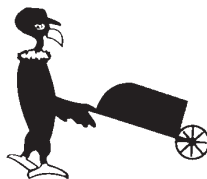
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voted to appoint Mary Ann Brogan of 10 Dexter Lane as the new Board of Appeals member stepping up from being an Associate Member to replace and fill the unexpired term of 2012 of Nancy L. O'Brien.

At 7:00 pm, the board met with members of the Board of Appeals and Nancy O'Brien to express their appreciation and to honor her 17-year commitment to the board. The Selectmen then presented her with a plaque of appreciation from the town. After thanking the board, Ms. O'Brien said, "I have really enjoyed it. We have had some interesting experiences."

At 7:15 pm, the board met with a representative of the PMC Kids (Pan Mass Challenge Kids) Tri-Town Ride seeking approval for the second annual ride for children between the ages of 3 to 15 to participate and obtain sponsors to donate money for cancer research. The ride is scheduled for Saturday, June 14 from approximately 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The committee has notified the school and Police Department of the requested date. The Selectmen unanimously voted to approve the ride.

The next appointment was with the entire six-man Highway Department to offer a "thank you" to the crew of men who by taking care of almost 90 miles of roads in town not only contribute to the safety of the citizens but save the town money on insurance costs. With that, the board presented each member with certificates of appreciation from the state. The Highway Department has already been out to clear the roads 19 times this win-



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At 7:35 pm the board met with Steve Magyar, President of the Mattapoisett Lions Club. He presented a letter to the board outlining the schedule for the Annual Harbor Days Festival to run this year from Friday, July 11 through Monday, July 21 at Shipyard Park. Sunday, July 13 is the day scheduled for the Mattapoisett Triathlon.

The Selectmen had several suggestions to make concerning parking in designated and non-parking areas with some input from Highway Surveyor Barry Denham. It was decided that the Lions Club should hire an extra policeman to be on duty in the non-parking areas to enforce the rules which have been ignored in the past. Selectman Andrews also requested that the Lions Club not hold a raffle on the day of the Mattapoisett Road Race on July 4 because it appears to be a conflict with the Road Race Committee who also are raising funds.

Another instance of overlapping fundraising was discussed as related to the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting at Shipyard Park where overlapping venues caused a great deal of confusion this year. Mr. Magyar agreed that changes could be made in scheduling the dates for their efforts. The Annual Christmas in the Park and Tree Lighting are always scheduled for the first Saturday in December.

Selectman Andrews then announced that with thanks to the people of Mattapoisett he has taken out nomination papers to run for another term as Selectman



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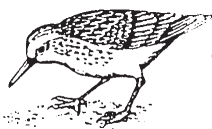
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Selectman Collyer announced that the next regular Selectmen's Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 12 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received:

- Notification from the Board of Appeals that longterm member Nancy O'Brien is stepping down due to relocating to another town.

- The Mattapoisett Congregational Church requests permission to hold their Easter Sunrise Service at the Town's Gazebo in Shipyard Park on Sunday, March 23 at 7:00 am. The board approved the request.

Town Administrator Michael J. Botelho reported

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Following that, Mr. Botelho outlined the preliminaries for the FY09 budget. He is receiving requests from the departments with lists of their expenses with the expectation that the process will be taking place from early February through to the end of the month. Although level funding is the goal, it appears that the total budget will have less than a 1 percent overall increase. Since the receipts will probably be less than expected, he does not think the town will be at the point where cuts are needed because there are some areas where savings can be realized. The School Department budgets are not yet finalized, but should be ready in February.

At press time, the Selectmen and Town Administrator were discussing dates for joint meetings with the Finance Committee (FinCom) to finalize the fiscal budget before the Annual Town Meeting.

No Executive Session was scheduled for the evening.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

January 22, 2008

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order in the Marion Town House on Tuesday, January 22 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Roger Blanchette. Also present were Selectman Andrew Jeffrey, Selectman Jonathan Henry, Town Administrator Paul Dawson, and Secretary Helene Craver.

The board first approved the minutes of the January 8 meeting, and then met with Department of Public Works (DPW) Superintendent Rob Zora and Robert Otos-



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ki of the engineering firm of Camp, Dresser and McKee (CDM) to discuss recent proposals submitted by CDM for phosphorous removal, Inflow and Infiltration (I&I), and determining the remaining capacity at the town's sewer treatment plant.

"Basically there are five documents here for four separate scopes of work," Mr. Otoski said. "There are three task orders ... that the town has with CDM. In terms of the actual commitments to scope and funds, the first is for \$14,830. These three task orders amount to less than \$45,000. The general scope of this would involve ... physical analysis of various chemicals when added to (the) wastewater. This is testing various chemicals and infiltration to determine how much phosphorous can be removed (from the system)."

"The way I see it, this is a study that the state is requiring us to do to see what our plant can do so they can set a limit at some point in time," Mr. Zora said. "We (already) have a chemical room designed in our plant to add these chemicals."

"The second proposed task order ... would be to take the data that has been collected by the town and to determine if the plant has any additional capacity," Mr. Otoski said. "It's not a permit requirement, but it's something we suggest and think would be valuable to the town."

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"This task order will evaluate how many more pounds can be treated (at the plant)," Mr. Otoski added. "It will give you Marion-specific numbers (and) you can now say you have 'X' pounds per connection."

"A lot of what we're processing now is ground-water ... we have an I&I problem," Mr. Zora said. "When we have heavy rain, we get a lot of load (with) very weak diluting because of rainwater."

"I wanted to come away from this with a better idea of how much additional capacity we have at the plant without expanding it," Selectman Henry said. "We need to know that amount."

"The problem is the plant can't be viewed as one black box where you put flow in and a certain level of flow comes out," Mr. Otoski explained. "It's a series of boxes and every one of those has a certain breaking point, if you will. We'll be looking at those individual breaking points (in this task order)."

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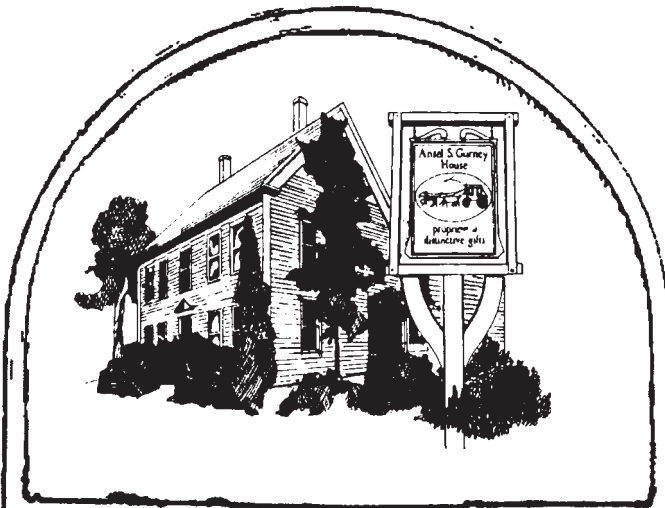
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With that, the board unanimously voted to approve the three task orders as submitted by CDM and also voted to sign and approve the I&I standard form agreement.

At 7:50 pm the board met with Finance Committee (FinCom) Chairman Dr. Richard A. Kemp and members of this committee to discuss the town's budgetary constraints for the current and future Fiscal Years.

"The FinCom has asked for level-funded budgets (from all departments) for FY2009," Dr. Kemp said. "We presently have a \$504,669 shortfall — and that doesn't include the Sippican School or ORR District School (budgets). With those, I think it's at least going to be \$800,000 or maybe closer to \$1.2 million. Presently the town has \$841,000 in Free Cash, however \$341,000 of that is a one-time transfer from the communication cell towers made last year at Town Meeting. Initially when we got this money, the FinCom believed the \$341,000 should be transferred into the Stabilization Fund. In short, what this means is that budgets and balancing them after 20 years of Proposition 2-1/2 is no longer possible. We've now asked departments to resubmit their budgets with a 10 percent (across-the-board) decrease."

Given the current estimates, Dr. Kemp projected that at this rate the town would be faced with a deficit in excess of \$2 million by 2014.

"Our expenses are growing at a higher rate than our revenue is," Dr. Kemp said. "Proposition 2-1/2



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Of the total projected \$17.130 million FY09 Marion town budget, a whopping 56 percent, or \$9.6 million, is devoted to Education; 12 percent (\$2 million) to Public Safety; 12 percent (\$1.9 million) to Pension and Insurance; 9 percent (\$1.47 million) to General Government; 6 percent (\$1.1 million) to Public Works; 3 percent (\$578,743) to Debt Services; 1 percent (\$222,588) to Culture and Recreation; and 1 percent (\$147,248) to Human Services.

"We're letting you know exactly what our concerns are," Dr. Kemp said. "How are we going to resolve this? One is to slash everything by 10 percent. A second way is to use all our Free Cash ... but next year we're not going to have \$1 million in available Free Cash. A third option to consider is to have everyone commit to a large, one-time (override) and not have any overrides for the next five years."

Dr. Kemp said this latter option is based on a model from the Town of Arlington, which just passed a one-time 12 percent override to make up the budget shortfall.



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"What we'd like to propose is an economic summit of all departments, along with the public, to try and develop a consensus here in town as to what would be a much wiser and safer thing to do," Dr. Kemp said.

"I'm an optimist and I'd like to think that next year we're not going to have all this doom and gloom," Chairman Blanchette said. "I'd like to think that we're not going to have this situation in five years (and) I'm hoping things will turn around."

"My feeling is maybe you're putting the cart before the horse," Selectman Jeffrey added. "I think the first thing we need to do is have a summit and let people know."

"I think there's been a lot of resistance from people who receive services to make cuts," Selectman Henry said. "But I think we need to be fearless ... if cuts need to be made — and I think they do — then we ought to do it."

Dr. Kemp and the FinCom agreed to schedule an economic summit for all town departments and the public in the very near future.

Under the Town Administrator's report, Mr. Dawson noted the deadline for submitting articles for the Annual Town Meeting warrant is Friday, February 29.

Mr. Dawson also discussed after having several meetings with Chairman Blanchette over the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) issue, he anticipates having a final report ready to be delivered at the next regular Selectmen's meeting on February 5.

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Under correspondence, Mr. Dawson noted:

- Receipt of a budget for FY09 from the Carver/Marion/Wareham Regional Refuse District advising that Marion's share would be \$12,368.39.

- Receipt of a notice from the Mattapoissett River Valley Water District that the Town of Marion's share in the MRV's water treatment facility would be \$206,610 for FY09.

- Letter received from Charles Bradley Jr. noting that he is resigning from the Bird Island Preservation Society, effective immediately. Mr. Bradley said the historic landmark is once again due for some restoration work and finding a replacement for his vacancy should be done as soon as possible.

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Mr. Dawson also noted receipt of four quotations from law firms to serve as Labor Counsel for the Town of Marion.

"I would recommend we engage the services of Jon Witten, who is currently our Town Counsel, at a rate of \$130 per hour," Mr. Dawson said. "We have a proven track record with Mr. Witten and it was the lowest hourly rate."

With that, the board unanimously voted to hire Mr. Witten as the town's Labor Counsel.

There being no further matters to discuss in Open Session, they unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 8:33 pm and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

Sports Shorts

By Robert Chiarito

The **Old Colony Cougars Boys Basketball Team** continues to pick up its game of late, winning two of three games this past week as it makes a mid-season push towards playoff contention. On Tuesday, January 15 the Cougars downed West Bridgewater 48-46 behind **David Hill's** team high 14-point effort. After slipping 54-35 to Bristol Plymouth Tech the next evening, Old Colony found itself back in the win column with a 70-31 victory over Norfolk County Aggie on Friday night, January 18. The Cougars used a balanced attack as **Nick Abaray** led the Old Colony scoring effort with 15 points. **Matt Pacheco** added 13 points and **David Hill** chipped in with 12 as the Cougars ran their record to 6-4 overall on the season and 6-1 in Mayflower League play.

The **Old Rochester Regional Lady Bulldogs Track Team** is finding its kick as they roll towards the end of the Winter Track campaign by downing Wareham 55-31 on Wednesday, January 16 at the Vikings' Fieldhouse.



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The **Old Rochester Girls Basketball Team** pounded Seekonk High School, 66-19, on Tuesday, January 15. **Katelyn O'Brien** posted a personal best with a game high of 18 points as she nearly matched Seekonk's output single-handedly. ORR fell to Dighton-Rehoboth on Friday, January 18 dropping their record to 5-6 overall this season and 5-4 in SCC play.

The **ORR Boys Basketball Team** ran into a rough spot in the schedule as they lost both of their games during the past week. On Tuesday, January 15 the Bulldogs led by 10 points heading into the final quarter but ran out of steam as they fell 82-71 to Seekonk. Old Rochester came out flat in the first quarter on Friday night, January 18 in their loss against Dighton-Rehoboth. Trailing 14-7 going into the second quarter, the Bulldogs had to play catch-up the rest of the evening as they eventually fell 56-49. ORR is 8-3 overall this season and 6-3 in the SCC.

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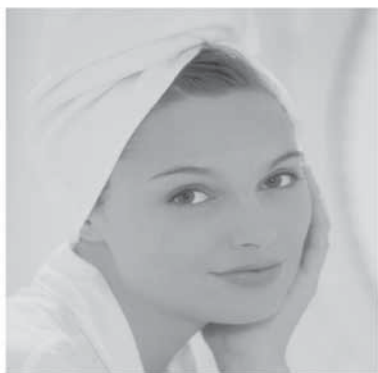
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The Old Colony Lady Cougars Basketball Team fought hard once again against a bigger squad but came up just short in losing 36-29 to Greater New Bedford Voke Tech on Tuesday, January 15. The Lady Cougars are now 1-7 on the season.

Rochester Youth Baseball

Rochester Youth Baseball (RYB) has announced that sign-ups for the 2008 baseball season will be held on **Thursday, January 24** at the Rochester Memorial School. Sign-ups will be held in the cafeteria between the hours of 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

The invitation to play baseball is open to any town resident between the ages of 5 and 12 years old. RYB provides youngsters an opportunity to learn to play the game of baseball while having fun doing so. They offer a wide range in play from Tee Ball, Farm, up to Minor and Major Little League divisions.

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For more information, please call **Christopher Dessert** at 508-763-8806.

Please send ideas, comments and suggestions to: Sports, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, e-mail releases to news@wanderer.com, or fax, 24-hours-a-day, to 508-758-4845.

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Kindergarten Registration for the 2008-2009 school year will be held at the Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street, Rochester, MA the week of February 25, 2008 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am and from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm for children whose birthdate is prior to September 1, 2003.

Families whose names appear on the Annual Town Census will receive notification of these dates. The school is especially anxious to hear from families who are new to Rochester or whose names do not appear on the Annual Town Census.

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During these times, registration forms will be processed, and new parents will have the opportunity to meet with the school principal and nurse. A copy of each student's updated immunization record must be submitted at the time of registration, to include verification of lead screening, Hepatitis B vaccination and other immunizations. An original birth certificate for each student must be presented to be photocopied. If the prospective Kindergarten student does not have a sibling presently enrolled in Sippican School, proof of residency requirements must also be met (copy of lease or real estate tax bill, vehicle registration, driver's license, current electric, cable or gas bill).

Information and forms will be mailed by Friday, February 1, 2008 to the parents of all prospective Kindergarteners. Any parent not receiving this information should call Sue Powers at Sippican School at 508-748-0100, extension 303.

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The public is invited to a Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday, February 5. The supper will be held from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm and will be at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church's Reynard Hall. All are welcome to attend. Along with pancakes, sausage, special topping, drinks and good conversation will be served. There will

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Please feel free to contact Conservation Agent Laurell J. Farinon at 508-763-5421, extension 206 or **lfa-rinon@townofrochester.com** with any questions about becoming an Associate Member, or send a letter of interest to the Rochester Conservation Commission, Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, MA 02770.

Marion Street Listing

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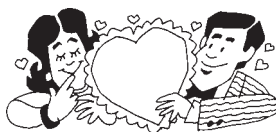


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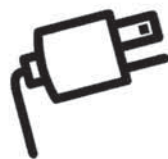
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Wendy Rolfe, a Marion resident, performs with the Handel and Haydn Society, Boston Baroque, and the Cape Cod Symphony. She is Professor of flute at the Berkeley College of Music. She has toured Brazil and Ecuador, and recently released *Images of Brazil*, a CD featuring music for flute and piano. Deborah DeWolf Emery performs with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and records and tours with leading soloists, including principal players in the Symphony. Both Ms Rolfe and Ms Emery are graduates of the Oberlin Conservatory of Music.

Suggested donations at the door, \$8 (\$4 for students) will benefit the music program at the First Congregational Church, located at the corner of Main and Front Streets (Route 105), and parking is available in the church parking lot behind the Marion General Store.

For more information, please call 508-748-1053. This program is supported, in part, by the Marion Cultural Council, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, and by Odyssey Chamber Players.



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"Magic of Music" Idol Contest

A "Magic of Music" Idol Contest will be held on Saturday, February 23. In order to take part in the contest, interested applicants must take part in an audition process being held on Thursday, February 7, 2008 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm at the Council on Aging in Acushnet on Main Street.

The Magic of Music is a program started by Rochester resident Jillian Marie Jensen earlier this year. It is a non-profit organization initiated when she won the title of Miss Massachusetts Teen America 2007 early in 2007. The goal of the program has been to raise money to provide scholarships for kids who *love* music but may not be able to financially afford music lessons or instruments. Ms.

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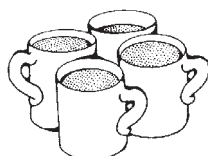
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The "Magic of Music" Idol Contest will be held on Saturday, February 23 at 6:30 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Mattapoisett. Cash Prizes will be awarded in three categories: Ages 7-11; Ages 12-15; and Ages 16-20.

For more information, please see www.myspace/jillianjensenmusic.com.

Marion Postcard Book Signing

The Sippican Historical and Preservation Society invites the public to celebrate the recent release of its popular new book, *A Picture Postcard History of Marion, Massachusetts*. The celebration will feature a slideshow leading the audience on a visual stroll through this picturesque community over the past century, with the book's editor, Pete Smith, as tour guide. Postcard enthusiasts, residents and visitors alike are sure to enjoy both the nostalgic images and the informative and insightful narrative.

The 45 minute presentation will be held at the Marion Music Hall on Thursday, January 31, 2008 at 7:00 pm. *A Picture Postcard History of Marion, Massachusetts* will be available for purchase and autograph at the event. Published by New Bedford's Spinner Publications, the book is available in both hardcover (\$50 plus tax) and paperback (\$25 plus tax). For additional information, please call the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society at 508-748-1116.

Mattapoisett Machacam Club

The Machacam Club will hold its February meeting on "Ash Wednesday," February 6 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street. Social time is 5:30 pm with dinner service beginning at 6:00 pm.

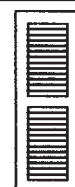
The speaker this month will be William "Nick" Nicholson, Water and Sewer Superintendent for the Town

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Callers are asked to bear in mind the importance of call list accuracy. Due to the menu addition, callers should be certain to give a breakout of your lists when reporting. Please report no later than 9:00 pm on February 4 by calling 508-758-9311. Last-minute changes by members can be made by calling the same number direct no later than 9:00 pm on February 4.

Marion Property Taxes

Marion Tax Collector Gary J. Carreiro would like to remind residents that third quarter Fiscal Year 2008 Actual Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Bills are due Friday, February 1, 2008. Taxpayers may make payment online at www.townofmarion.org through eBill having their payments directly withdrawn from their checking or savings account or alternately mailing their payment to the Town of Marion, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738, or make payment directly at the Marion Town House, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, or Friday from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Taxpayers are reminded to submit only the third quarter payment coupon at this time and retain the fourth quarter coupon for payment due by May 1, 2008.

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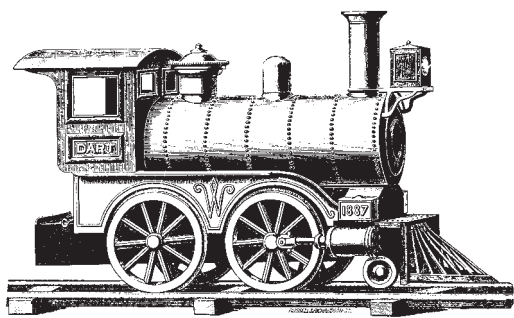
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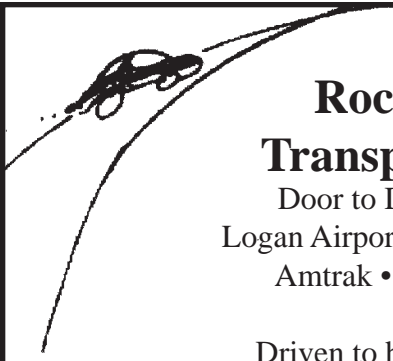
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Rochester Democratic Caucus

The Rochester Town Democratic Caucus will be held at the Rochester Town Hall on Saturday, February 2, 2008 for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the 2008 Democratic Convention on Saturday, June 7, 2008 in Lowell, MA. Delegates must have been registered voters by December 31, 2007. Residents who are registered Democrats in the Town of Rochester are eligible to attend as delegates; however, you must attend the caucus in order to be elected. Registration will start at 9:00 am and the caucus will begin promptly at 10:00 am. If anyone has any questions regarding the caucus or would like to become involved with the Rochester Town Democratic Committee, please contact Carol St. Don at 508-763-2795.

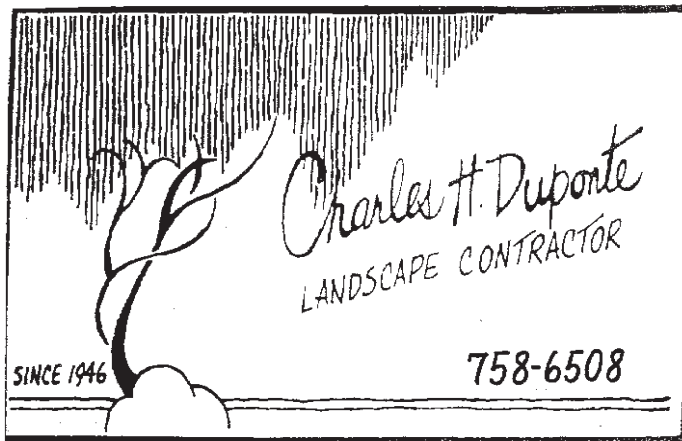
Marion Nomination Papers

The last day to submit nomination papers for the Annual Town Election in Marion is Friday, April 4, 2008. The last day for Registrars to submit to the Town Clerk is Friday, April 18, 2008. The last day to object or withdraw is Tuesday, April 22. The last day to register to vote in the election is Tuesday, April 29 until 8:00 pm. The last day to post the warrant is Monday, May 12. The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, May 19, 2008 and the



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- BOARD OF HEALTH (3 years, 1 seat);
- PLANNING BOARD (3 years, 3 seats);
- MARION SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3 years, 2 seats);
- MARION SCHOOL COMMITTEE (1 year, 1 seat);
- OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION COMMISSION (3 years, 2 seats);
- TOWN CLERK (3 Years, 1 Seat);
- OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3 years, 1 seat);
- TREE WARDEN (3 years, 1 seat).

Cushing Cemetery Appeal

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So please, any contribution you can make to Cushing Cemetery would be put to good use and allow the cemetery to continue as the quiet sanctuary all cemeteries deserve to be.

Donations may be sent to: The Trustees of Cushing Cemetery, P.O. Box 747, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Residents are also invited to serve as a Cushing Cemetery Trustee if they are interested.

Marion Spelling Bee

If you want to compete in the second annual Lizzie T's Spelling Bee, now is the time to get your team's entry form submitted. Last year's event was very successful with 13 teams vying for the title. The Thursday Tennis Group won the honors with Priscilla Ditchfield, Danielle Francis and Ellie Burbank.

In this adults-only spelling bee, team members consult with each other to provide a team response. Plan to come to the Marion Music Hall on March 6 at 6:30 pm to watch and cheer for your favorite team. This fun event is free and presented by the Elizabeth Taber Library.

"We were thrilled with last year's response to the first Lizzie T's Spelling Bee," said Geri Owens, chairman of the event. "The competitive, yet friendly, team spirit made it exciting to watch."

Teams of three adults, 18 or older, can represent any group — area businesses, book clubs, race boat crews or neighbors on a street. "We have a good time for a good cause because no one takes it too seriously," Ms. Owens added.

To participate, each team pays a tax-deductible fee of \$200 and registers their team name. Teams must have their Entry Form and payment in by Sunday, February 10. The number of teams will be limited to 20. The



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Funds raised by this event will be used to support programs at the Elizabeth Taber Library. Please call the library if you have any questions at 508-748-1252.

SouthCoast Chamber Music

The world comes to the South Coast this week — the world of music, that is, as the South Coast Chamber Music Society presents concerts in Marion and New Bedford that span the globe. In offering works by Russian Dimitri Shostakovich, Englishman Gerald Finzi, and Italian-Argentinian Alberto Ginestera, the acclaimed ensemble showcases three 20th Century contemporaries who couldn't be more different — or more captivating.

Dimitri Shostakovich, now recognized as the greatest Russian composer of his era, toiled for years under Stalin's repressive regime and yet managed to distinguish himself in virtually every musical genre. *The String Quartet in C major* that South Coast audiences will hear may have been the composer's first, but it has always been recognized as a mature work, written in 1938, just after his acclaimed *Fifth Symphony*.

The Quartet, which Shostakovich himself described as "cheerful, happy and lyrical," with its distinctly

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Russian sound, is often praised for its wit and lovely serenity of tone. Although the composer wrote that "the work so captivated me that I finished it un-believably quickly," the first *String Quartet* laid the groundwork for Shostakovich's fourteen subsequent string quartets.

Audiences will also enjoy an earlier work by the Russian master, his *Three Fantastic Dances*. When these "piano miniatures" premiered, with Shostakovich himself on the piano, they were enthusiastically received in the Moscow Conservatory, and have been thrilling audiences ever since with their lively folk rhythms and fascinating harmonies.

Gerald Finzi's *Interlude for Oboe and String Quartet*, his best known and admired work, was not written "un-believably quickly," and it took the composer four years to finish. Like Shostakovich, Finzi too uses folk melodies, though here they are distinctively English. The intimacy of the *Interlude*, its startling changes in mood and pitch, have made it a chamber music favorite. The piece, which features oboist Donna Marie Cobert, promises to give audiences a passionate and personal musical experience.

South America is represented in Alberto Ginestera's *Impresiones de la Puna*, which brings together flute

and a string quartet. Here, too, it's folk music that lies at the heart of the work, which calls to mind the "puna," the high Andes mountain valleys. Lovely and haunting melodies suffuse the work's four movements, the first of which, one music historian writes, "takes its name and mood from the 'quena,' a traditional flute made of cane or clay or bone by the South American Indians."

The concert, which will take place in Marion at the Marion Music Hall on Thursday, February 21, at 7:30 pm and in New Bedford at Grace Episcopal Church on Sunday, February 24, at 3:00 pm will be preceded by a lecture one half-hour before the performance. Tickets (\$18) are available in advance at The Bookstall in Marion and The Symphony Music Shop in Dartmouth, or at the door on the day of the concert. Students 16 and under are admitted free.

For more information, please go to www.southcoastchambermusic.org or call 508-992-4739.

Marion Absentee Ballots

Marion Absentee Ballots are currently available. If you are a registered voter who will not be able to vote at the polls on election day due to absence from Marion dur-

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Sunday, January 27

8:00 AM – First Congregational Church of Rochester Christmas Service
9:00 AM – Music and the Spoken Word
9:30 AM – First Congregational Church of Rochester Weekly Service
11:00 AM – Physician's Focus
11:30 AM – White House Chronicles
12:00 PM – The Jeff Perry Report
12:30 PM – Rochester Board of Selectmen's Meeting
2:00 PM – Music and the Spoken Word
2:30 PM – First Congregational Church of Rochester Christmas Service
3:30 PM – Soundings
4:00 PM – Rochester ZBA
40-B Meeting
6:00 PM – The B-120 Incident
8:00 PM – Dartmouth Community Medical School
10:30 PM – ORR Holiday Concert

Monday, January 28

Noon – Mid-day Movie
2:00 PM – Flu, What to do
2:30 PM – South Coast United Way Report
3:00 PM – Rochester Casino Meeting
5:00 PM – The Commonwealth Report
5:30 PM – White House Chronicle
6:00 PM – ORRHS 2007 Graduation Ceremony
7:30 PM – New England Outdoor Life
8:00 PM – Army News Watch
8:30 PM – Physician's Focus
9:00 PM – Inside the ORR with Dr. Cooper
10:30 PM – The Conn Jackson Show
12:00 AM – Midnight Movie

Tuesday, January 29

Noon – Midday Movie
1:30 PM – The Wander Presents: A Tri-Town Christmas
2:00 to 3:00 PM – Local Interest Programs
3:00 PM – Inside the ORR with Dr. Cooper
4:00 to 8:00 PM – ORCTV presents ORR

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8:30 PM – Rochester Board of Selectmen's Meeting
9:30 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor With Don Cuddy
11:00 PM – The Jeff Perry Report
11:30 PM – Rochester Selectmen's Meeting
12:00 AM – Midnight Movie

Wednesday, January 30

Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 to 4:00 PM – Local Interest Programs
4:00 PM – Mattapoisett Christmas in the Park
5:00 PM – New England Outdoor Life
5:30 PM – The Marion Village Stroll
6:30 PM – ORRJHS 2007 Gravy Bowl
7:00 PM – The B-120 Incident
8:00 PM – Physician's Focus
8:30 PM – Southcoast United Way Report
9:00 PM – Ampersand
10:30 PM – Army News Watch
12:00 AM – Midnight Movie

Thursday, January 31

Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 to 4:00 PM – Local Interest Programs
4:00 to 8:00 PM – ORCTV presents ORR programming
8:30 PM – The Rock Star Stories
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers
11:00 PM – The Conn Jackson Show
12:00 AM – Midnight Movie
1:30 AM – Slumlord Production presents: Films by Courtney Fathom Sells

Friday, February 1

Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 to 5:00 PM – Local Interest Programs
5:30 PM – Soundings
6:30 PM – Pace Monthly
7:00 PM – The B-120 Incident
8:00 PM – Mass Talk
9:00 PM – The Commonwealth Report
9:30 PM – Rochester Casino Meeting
11:00 PM – Reiki
12:00 AM – Midnight Movie Double Feature

Saturday, February 2

8:00 AM to Noon – Clas-

sic Cartoon Festival
Noon – Neighbor to Neighbor With Don Cuddy
1:00 PM – Turntable
1:30 – New England Outdoor Life
2:00 – Inside the ORR with Dr. Cooper
3:00 to 7:00 PM – ORCTV presents ORR programming
8:30 PM – The Rock Star Stories
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers
11:00 PM – The Conn Jackson Show
12:00 AM – Midnight Movie
1:30 AM – Slumlord Production presents: Films by Courtney Fathom Sells

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If you cast your ballot at the Town Clerk's office before election day, plan to visit the office two or three weeks before the election. You can make your application and cast your vote in one visit.

The last day to apply for an absentee ballot is February 4, 2008 at 12:00 noon. If you vote by mail, make certain the application arrives at your local election office early. Remember, the ballot will be mailed to you. You may mail or hand-deliver it back to the election office but it must arrive before the close of the polls on election day (8:00 pm).

Warning: Illegal absentee voting, including making false application, is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 and up to five years in prison.

Rochester Trustee Vacancy

The Trustees for the Joseph Plumb Memorial Library are seeking to fill vacant seats on the board. The Trustees would like to invite members of the Rochester community who have an interest in libraries to contact Library Director Gail Roberts, either by dropping by the library, calling 508-763-8600, or emailing groberts@sailsinc.org. Anyone interested in becoming a Trustee is invited to attend the next meeting on Saturday, February 9 at 8:30 am.

Commitment to the board is at least one to two hours per month. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of every month from 8:30 to 10 am throughout the year. Qualifications necessary to fill this post include a belief in the library and its role in the community and a willingness to advocate when necessary.

For more information on the vacancy and the



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"GOING FOR THE GOLD"

The Wanderer's 80th Annual Oscar Pick Contest

Well it's that time of year again. Time to read over the nominees for the "Best of the Best" on the silver screen for the previous year and wonder why you still haven't seen the vast majority of the films mentioned.

And whether or not there's a gala red-carpet celebration or a more sombre pronouncement of the winners due to the lingering Hollywood writers' strike, we at *The Wanderer* are hoping to make the event just a little more interesting this year by offering you a chance to out-guess all the critics and movie know-it-alls by entering our **80th Annual Oscar Pick Contest**.

Simply check off who you predict will win in each of the following six top award categories and submit this original entry form (no photocopies, please) to our office at 55 County Road (Route 6) in Mattapoisett or mail it to: *Wanderer Oscar Contest*, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. You may also enter online by going to our website at www.wanderer.com.

All those who pick correctly in all six (or the vast majority) of the categories will be entered to win a deluxe DVD Gift Basket and will earn bragging rights as published here in our February 28 issue. The deadline to enter is Friday, February 22 at 3:00 pm and the 80th Annual Oscar Presentation will be televised on Sunday, February 24 at 8:00 pm on ABC.

Limit of one entry per person and employees of *The Wanderer* are not eligible for consideration. Good luck!

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

- ☐ Cate Blanchette, *I'm Not There*
- ☐ Ruby Dee, *American Gangster*
- ☐ Saoirse Ronan, *Atonement*
- ☐ Amy Ryan, *Gone Baby Gone*
- ☐ Tilda Swinton, *Michael Clayton*

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

- ☐ Casey Affleck, *The Assassination of Jesse James*
- ☐ Javier Bardem, *No Country for Old Men*
- ☐ Hal Holbrook, *Into the Wild*
- ☐ Philip Seymour Hoffman, *Charlie Wilson's War*
- ☐ Tom Wilkinson, *Michael Clayton*

BEST ACTRESS

- ☐ Cate Blanchette, *Elizabeth: The Golden Age*
- ☐ Julie Christie, *Away From Her*
- ☐ Marion Cotillard, *La Vie En Rose*
- ☐ Laura Linney, *The Savages*
- ☐ Ellen Page, *Juno*

BEST ACTOR

- ☐ George Clooney, *Michael Clayton*
- ☐ Daniel Day-Lewis, *There Will Be Blood*
- ☐ Johnny Depp, *Sweeney Todd*
- ☐ Tommy Lee Jones, *In the Valley of Elah*
- ☐ Viggo Mortensen, *Eastern Promises*

BEST DIRECTOR

- ☐ Julian Schnabel, *The Diving Bell and the Butterfly*
- ☐ Jason Reitman, *Juno*
- ☐ Tony Gilroy, *Michael Clayton*
- ☐ Joel and Ethan Coen, *No Country for Old Men*
- ☐ Paul Thomas Anderson, *There Will Be Blood*

BEST PICTURE

- ☐ *Atonement*
- ☐ *Juno*
- ☐ *Michael Clayton*
- ☐ *No Country for Old Men*
- ☐ *There Will Be Blood*

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requirements, please come to the meeting on February 9 or contact Library Director, Gail Roberts, for more information.

The Plumb Library is open Monday, 1:00 to 8:00; Tuesday, 10:00 to 6:00; Wednesday, 10:00 to 6:00; Thursday, 1:00 to 8:00; Friday, 10:00 to 5:00; and Saturday, 10:00 to 2:00.

Mattapoissett School Orientation

A Special Parent Orientation Meeting for the parents of all children eligible to enter Kindergarten in August 2008 will be held on Monday, February 4 at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria of Center School. All parents of children eligible to attend Kindergarten are asked to attend this special information meeting, and this meeting is for parents only. Any child born before September 1, 2003 is eligible for enrollment in Kindergarten for the 2008-2009 school year. At this meeting, the Kindergarten teachers will be present and they will highlight the Kindergarten program (full day and morning only) and curriculum, discuss the Kindergarten Orientation Program for the first day of school (August 27), provide an opportunity to visit a Kindergarten classroom and share other information regarding students' transition to Center School. In addition, school registration packets will be made available for parents to take home and complete.

Complete registration forms for all children entering Kindergarten, and new students entering First Grade, can be returned to Center School on either Tuesday, February 12 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm or on Wednesday, February 13 from 8:45 to 10:45 am in the cafeteria at Center School. Registration is for parents *only*.

If you have a child who was born before August 31, 2003 and is eligible to enter Kindergarten in August 2008, but will *not* be entering Kindergarten and/or will be attending a private Kindergarten, please call the office at Center School (508-758-2521) to notify them of your decision not to enter your child in Center School for the 2008-2009 school year. This will enable them to keep an accurate count of the number of students who will be entering Center School in September. If you know of a child who is eligible to enter Kindergarten in August and they did not receive information about the orientation/registration in the mail, please have them contact Center School so that a packet can be forwarded to them.

Tri-Town Relay for Life

Each year, across the nation, one event brings together entire communities to take part in the fight against cancer. That event is the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life. It's a time and place where people come to celebrate those who have survived cancer, remember those we've lost, and fight back against a disease that touches too many lives.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Monster Mash

By Rob Gonsalves
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Cloverfield. Starring Michael Stahl-David and Lizzy Caplan. Directed by Matt Reeves. Running time: 84 minutes. MPA rating: PG-13.

The conceit of *Cloverfield*, like *The Blair Witch Project* before it, is that we're watching video footage of unexplained, horrific events. While *Blair Witch* was all suggestion and no pay-off, though, *Cloverfield* delivers the goods. It's a giant-monster movie told from street level, from the viewpoint of regular people fleeing from the beast. The cycle of revelation and retreat can be electrifying, and it's fun to see this new angle on an old story. A goofball named Hud (T.J. Miller) captures the whole thing on a shaky borrowed digital camera, and when the monster shows itself in its full awful splendor near the end, Hud is mesmerized beyond terror; he stands there filming like a dummy, or like a human being in shock, as the thing gets ready for its closeup.

Bellowing like an enraged foghorn, the monster crawls up from the depths off of Coney Island and slithers through Manhattan with an eerie, dislocated-elbow motion. In the monster-attack scenes, the movie's style — the apocalypse barely glimpsed — is chilling: We're seeing essentially what we would see if we were there. A *faux cinema verite* film like this, however, can get locked into repetition; in a conventional narrative, scenes *build* and are shaped dramatically, and the standard big-monster movies from *Gojira* to the more recent *The Host* can forge suspense out of editing, composition and dialogue in a way that a movie like *Cloverfield* can't. Yet *Cloverfield*, God save us all, attempts to have a plot — a conventional narrative plot wedded to a style that can't support it.

The footage starts out at a going-away party for Rob Hawkins (Michael Stahl-David), who's leaving soon for a nice job in Japan. (We send them a yuppie, they send us a Toho beastie?) The party stops when the monster arrives, and Rob spends much of the movie trying to get to Midtown to rescue Beth (Odette Yustman), his lost love. Hud tags along, since there'd be no movie if he didn't, as well as Rob's brother's girlfriend Lily (Jessica Lucas) and outsider Marlana (Lizzy Caplan, whose shell-shocked deadpan steals the film). This results in more than a few flat, stagey scenes that feel especially inconsequential because *there's a monster knocking large holes out of New York* and who cares if Rob finds



Beth?

There've been a few grumbles that *Cloverfield* deals in 9/11 imagery. Such critics seem to forget Steven Spielberg's *War of the Worlds*, with its dust-covered survivors and its street poles littered with "missing" posters. As I said in my review of that film, 9/11 changed the way we imagine large-scale disaster; we've seen what real city devastation looks like, and we can't go back to tidier, more innocent visuals. The filmmakers, including producer J.J. Abrams (*Lost*) and director Matt Reeves, have dutifully talked up *Cloverfield* as a cathartic horror experience, much as *Gojira* was for post-Hiroshima Japan. The movie also tips its hat to its predecessors, including *Alien* and *Starship Troopers*. Essentially, it's a noble experiment whose writer (Drew Goddard) couldn't resist a little boy-meets-girl, boy-loses-girl, boy-saves-girl-from-gigantic-critter Hollywood gloss.

Still, I can't deny feeling several massive surges of adrenaline whenever the monster stomped on tanks (oh yes, the military does get involved, much to its regret) or knocked over buildings or took out the Brooklyn Bridge. 9/11 notwithstanding, fictional catastrophe is still a thrill, which is somewhat reassuring. I do have misgivings about the way the story plays out, but no monster movie is without some boring-part, you-can-hit-the-bathroom-now cheesiness, and I guess the flat sections work as time-outs from the chaos. For the most part, *Cloverfield* earns its spot on your shelf next to all the Harryhausens and Tohos. Oh, and if you really need to know where the monster came from, do a Google search for "Tagruato."

• FLAGSHIP CINEMA 12 •

500 Kings Highway, New Bedford, MA.
Movie Hotline: 508-985-3000

Friday, Jan. 25 through Thursday, Jan. 31:

Rambo (R) – 1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:30, 9:55
Meet the Spartans (PG13) – 1:15, 3:20, 5:20, 7:20, 9:20
Untraceable (R) – 1:50, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40
27 Dresses (PG13) – 1:30, 4:20, 6:45, 9:05
Cloverfield (PG13) – 1:20, 3:15, 5:15, 7:35, 9:35
The Bucket List (PG13) – 1:40, 4:25, 7:10, 9:15
Juno (PG13) – 1:45, 4:05, 7:05, 9:10
Atonement (R) – 1:35, 4:15, 6:50, 9:25
National Treasure: Book of Secrets (PG) – 1:25, 4:10, 6:55, 9:30
Alvin and the Chipmunks (PG) – 1:00, 3:00, 5:00
I Am Legend (PG13) – 7:25, 9:55
Pirates: A Veggie Tales Movie (G) – 1:10, 3:05, 5:00

First Sunday (PG13) – 7:15, 9:25

Mad Money (PG13) – 1:00, 3:05, 7:15, 9:20
One Missed Call (PG13) – 5:10

• REGAL NICKELODEON 5 •

742 Nathan Ellis Highway, North Falmouth, MA.
Movie Line: 1-800-326-3264, theater code: 450

Friday, Jan. 25 through Thursday, Jan. 31:

The Kite Runner (PG13) – Fri: 3:30, 6:40, 9:15; Sat/Sun: 12:40, 3:30, 6:40, 9:15; Mon-Thu: 3:30, 6:55
Atonement (R) – Fri: 3:40, 6:50, 9:20; Sat/Sun: 12:50, 3:40, 6:50, 9:20; Mon-Thu: 3:40, 6:50
The Savages (R) – Fri: 3:50, 7:05, 9:25; Sat/Sun: 1:00, 3:50, 7:05, 9:25; Mon-Thu: 3:20, 6:30
There Will Be Blood (R) – Fri: 4:00, 7:20; Sat/Sun: 12:30, 4:00, 7:20; Mon-Thu: 3:10, 6:20
The Diving Bell and the Butterfly (PG13) – Fri: 4:10, 7:10, 9:30; Sat/Sun: 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:30; Mon-Thu: 3:50, 7:00

• FLAGSHIP CINEMA 8 •

39 Doty Street (Route 58), Wareham, MA.
Movie Hotline: 508-291-4100

Friday, Jan. 25 through Thursday, Jan. 31:

Rambo (R) – 1:55, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30
Meet the Spartans (PG13) – 2:05, 4:30, 7:15, 9:25
27 Dresses (PG13) – 1:50, 4:25, 6:55, 9:20
Juno (PG13) – 2:00, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40
The Bucket List (PG13) – 1:40, 4:05, 7:05, 9:10
Cloverfield (PG13) – 1:30, 3:20, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45
National Treasure: Book of Secrets (PG) – 1:35, 4:15, 6:50, 9:35
Alvin and the Chipmunks (PG) – 1:45, 6:45
The Water Horse: Legend of the Deep (PG) – 4:00
Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street (R) – 9:05



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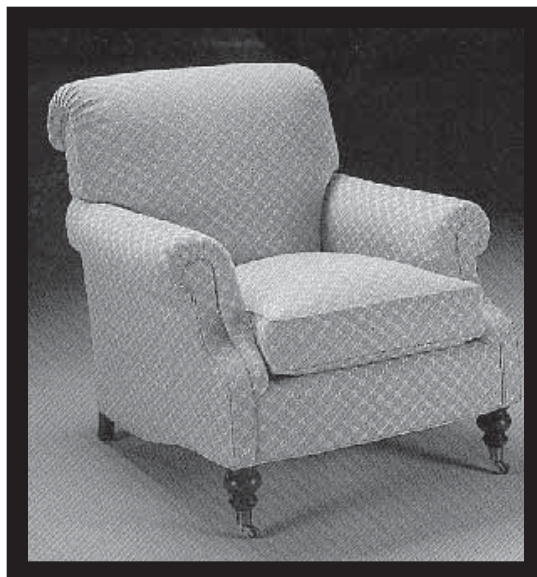
tion. The season will get started with an informative event on Tuesday, January 29 at 6:30 pm at Old Rochester Regional High School, 135 Marion Road in Mattapoisett. If you're interested in learning more or have questions, please contact Caryn Hodges at 508-989-7805 or Carol Lareau at 978-307-0530.

Mattapoisett Democratic Caucus

Registered Democrats in Mattapoisett will be holding a caucus on Saturday, February 2 at 10:00 am at the Mattapoisett Town Hall. The purpose of the caucus is to elect delegates to the Democratic State Convention to be held in Lowell on Saturday, June 7 at the Tsongas Arena. A total of four delegates and two alternates will be elected, with equal representation of men and women. The Convention will vote to endorse candidates for the office of U.S. Senator.

The caucus is open to all registered Democrats in Mattapoisett. Candidates for delegate and alternates must consent to nomination in writing and be present at the caucus. Those not elected may apply to be add-on delegates in the following categories: youth, minority and disabled.

Discrimination on the basis of age, economic status, ethnic identity, gender, national origin, race, religion or sexual orientation is strictly prohibited by the caucus rules of conduct. Challenges to the delegate selection process can be filed with the Massachusetts Democratic



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MARION

Log highlights January 13 through January 19, 2008:

- Green Street – fireworks complaint
- Wareham Road – adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor, maked lanes violation)
- Bayview Road – officer wanted
- County Road – fire alarm
- Register Road – animal complaint
- Luce Avenue – breaking and entering/past vehicle
- Holly Pond Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Spring Street – suspicious activity
- Route 195 West – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Mill Street – lost property
- Mill Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Point Road – animal complaint
- Mill Street – animal complaint
- Wareham Road – officer wanted
- Delano Road – general offense
- Ichabod Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- County Road – adult arrest (default warrant)
- Barnabas Road – officer wanted
- Wareham Road – adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor: third offense, negligent operation of motor vehicle, marked lanes violation)
- Spring Street – suspicious activity
- Pumping Station Road – officer wanted
- Taunton Avenue – burglar alarm.

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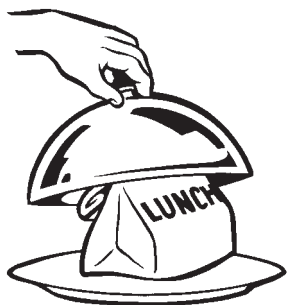
Log highlights January 13 through January 19, 2008:

- North Street – suspicious persons
- King Philip Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mattapoissett Neck Road – vandalism
- North Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- North Street – suspicious person
- Water Street – animal complaint
- Wolf Island Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Main Street – motor vehicle accident
- Appaloosa Lane – fireworks complaint
- County Road – suspicious persons
- Acushnet Road – ambulance request
- Fairhaven Road – suspicious persons
- Long Plain Road – stolen property
- Marion Road – disturbance
- County Road – property returned
- Wolf Island Road – motor vehicle accident
- Marina Drive – suspicious motor vehicle
- County Road – vandalism
- Water Street – property found
- County Road – property returned
- Marion Road – disturbance
- Oakland Way – structure fire
- County Road – suspicious persons
- County Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Reservation Road – vandalism
- Barstow Street – parking complaint
- County Road – ambulance request
- Driscoll Lane – motor vehicle violations
- Ned's Point Road – burglar alarm.

ROCHESTER

Log highlights January 8 through January 15, 2008:

- Braley Hill Road – motor vehicle accident
- Dexter Lane – officer wanted
- Cranberry Highway – suspicious person
- Dexter Lane – assist other agency
- County Road – assist other agency
- Rounseville Road – assist citizen
- New Bedford Road – officer wanted
- Marion Road – annoying phone calls
- Cushman Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Dexter Lane – ATV/recreational vehicle complaint
- Dexter Lane – runaway
- Cranberry Highway – suspicious motor vehicle
- Pine Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Pierce Street – officer wanted
- Rounseville Road – missing person/adult arrest (disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace, resisting arrest)
- North Avenue – vandalism
- Sarah Sherman Road – breaking and entering
- Cushman Road – motor vehicle accident
- Featherbed Lane – structure fire
- Vaughan Hill Road – disturbance
- Cranberry Highway – motor vehicle accident
- County Road – larceny/forgery/fraud.



MATTAPOISETT / MARION / ROCHESTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, January 28: NO SCHOOL.

Tuesday, January 29: Chicken tenders, oven baked French fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday, January 30: Spaghetti with/without meat sauce, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday, January 31: American pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

Friday, February 1: Hot dog

in a roll, macaroni and cheese, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, January 28: Chicken and rice soup, herb baked chicken, Italian blend vegetables, whole wheat roll, apple.

Tuesday, January 29: Veal parmesan, rotini with tomato sauce, winter blend vegetables, scali bread, pineapple in light syrup.

Wednesday, January 30: Roast pork with brown gravy, parslied whipped potatoes, peas, multigrain roll, birthday cake, graham wafer.

Thursday, January 31: Baked fish with tartar sauce, Lyonnaise potatoes, mixed vegetables, whole wheat bread, mandarin oranges.

Friday, February 1: Hot dog with mustard, vegetarian baked beans, zucchini and tomatoes, hot dog roll, vanilla pudding, sugar-free pudding.

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, January 28: NO SCHOOL.

Tuesday, January 29: Hamburgers with/without cheese, spicy spiral fries, pretzel, quesadilla, pizza, peanut butter and jelly.

Wednesday, January 30: Spaghetti with/without meat sauce, vegetable, bread stick, fresh rise pizza, pretzel.

Thursday, January 31: Teriyaki chicken wrap, nachos, cheese, vegetable, pretzel, peanut butter and jelly, pizza.

Friday, February 1: Tacos with all the fixings, vegetable, nachos with cheese, pretzel, peanut butter and jelly.

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, January 28: Steak'Um and cheese, spicy fries, green beans, chilled fruit.

Tuesday, January 29: Salisbury steak with mashed potatoes, peas, bread, strawberry chiffon pudding.

Wednesday, January 30: Italian sub, hash brown pattie, carrots, peaches.

Thursday, January 31: Pasta with meatballs, salad, roll, fruit crisp.

Friday, February 1: Egg salad roll, pizza, pretzel sticks, veggie sticks, fruit.



Party, 56 Roland Street, Suite 203, Boston, MA 02129 no later than ten days after the caucus date.

For additional information, please contact Chairman Beverly Baccelli at 508-758-9343.

'80s Benefit Dance

Join the fun on Saturday, January 26 from 7:00 to 11:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Route 6 in Mattapoisett and beat those winter blues at the Helping Hands and Hooves '80s Dance! Come as you are or go wild — there will be prizes for best dressed guy/gal, best dressed couple, best dance moves, and more!

Advance tickets will be sold at a discount for \$25 per person or \$40 a couple and will be on sale at Seaport Coffee Shop in Mattapoisett, Serendipity by the Sea in Marion, and The Hitching Post in Rochester. You can also buy tickets at the door for \$35 per person or \$60 per couple.

All proceeds will go to Helping Hands and Hooves, a non-profit (based in Mattapoisett) that is dedicated to providing therapeutic riding lessons for adults with disabilities.

If you have any questions, please call Sarah Murphy 508-758-4266 or Deb Dyson at 508-758-4717.

Friends of the Elderly

The Mattapoisett Friends of the Elderly will have a "Saint Patty's" Luncheon at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Route 6 in Mattapoisett on March 20 at 12:00 noon. As the time nears, please pick up your free ticket at the Mattapoisett Senior Center (COA) rooms in Center School.

Also, if anyone has a fairly decent artificial Christmas tree that they would like to donate to the COA/Friends of the Elderly, please call the COA office at 508-

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Charles Joseph Bradley Sr., 93, formerly of New Bedford and Westport, died January 16, at St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford. Born in Cranston, RI, he was the son of the late Charles and Bertha (Walpole) Bradley.

A master mechanic, he worked for several establishments in the area including Edaville Railroad and was a foreman for the New Bedford branch of the Auto Car Truck Company. He was self-employed for most of his career.

In failing health for the past several years, he nevertheless endeared himself to visitors and health care professionals with his mischievous nature, sly comments and his love of sweets.

He leaves his sister Helen Holloway of Cranston, RI, and brother Howard Bradley of Warwick, RI; two sons, Charles Bradley Jr. and his wife Priscilla of Marion and Edward Bradley of Woodstock, CT; a daughter, Linda Greenlaw of Glastonbury, CT; his beloved grandchildren Tracy Bradley of Boston, Tricia and husband Ray Seymour of Litchfield, NH, Annice Rockwell and Scott Gauthier of Pomfret Center, CT, Robert Greenlaw of Louisville, KY; and four great grandchildren.

Arrangements by Chapman Cole and Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Highway (Route 28), Wareham. Donations in his memory may be sent to the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA 02472. For directions and on-line guestbook visit: www.ccgfuneralhome.com.

Helen E. Whitcomb, 73, of Mattapoisett, formerly of Middleboro, died Saturday, January 19, 2008, at Forest View Nursing Home after a lengthy illness. The daughter of the late Joseph C. Whitcomb and Helen L. Whitcomb, she lived in Middleboro most of her life before retiring to Mattapoisett 17 years ago.

She had worked as a children's librarian at the Middleboro Public Library. Ms. Whitcomb was a member of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, the Center School Intergenerational Chorus, and the Sippican Choral Society.

She volunteered at both the Center School and Mattapoisett Public libraries.

Survivors include her sister, Gail W. Dunn of Mattapoisett; a nephew, David W. Dunn of Mattapoisett; two nieces, Rebecca D. Chowske of New York and Susan D. Johnson of Hudson, MA, and their respective families.

Arrangements were by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Route 6, Mattapoisett. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Mattapoisett Congregational Church Memorial Fund.

Donald N. Monaghan, 73, of Mattapoisett died Saturday January 19, 2008 at Sippican Healthcare Center after a long courageous battle with lung cancer. He was the husband of the late Beverly M. (Roderiques) Monaghan. Born in New Bedford, the son of the late James and Esther (Reid) Monaghan, he lived in New Bedford most of his life before moving to Fairhaven and Mattapoisett.

Mr. Monaghan was formerly employed by Revere Copper and Brass and Sippican Ocean Systems until his retirement. During the Korean War, he served in the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include four children, Cheryl Genereux and her husband Thomas of Rochester, Kathleen Taber and her husband Douglas of Wareham, Donald Monaghan, Jr. of Mattapoisett, and David Monaghan and his wife Kimberly of Attleboro; a brother, Robert Monaghan of Fairhaven; seven grandchildren, including Stephanie Taber, with whom he shared a special bond; and several nieces and nephews. He was the brother of the late James Monaghan and Shirley Gaudreau.

Arrangements were by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Route 6, Mattapoisett. Remembrances may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701.

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The Tri-Town Early Childhood Program, located at Old Rochester Regional High School, is currently accepting applications for the 2008-2009 school year. A limited number of spaces are available. Applications will be accepted until March 1, 2008. The enrollment policy is based on a balance of three- and four-year-olds, a balance of boys and girls, and a balance among residents of the three member towns.

The preschool program serves three and four-year-olds and follows the school calendar. It is unique in that it provides a high quality early childhood education opportunity to preschoolers while also offering high school students a chance to learn about working in the field of early childhood education. A licensed early childhood teacher and a rotation of high school students staff the classroom.

For an application or for more information, please contact Diana Russo at 508-758-2772, extension 1954.

Mattapoisett Tax Bills

The third quarter of the 2008 Actual Tax Bills are due February 1. Tax bills were mailed on December 28, 2007. Taxpayers should retain the fourth quarter payment coupon for payment due by May 1. The CPA surcharge of 1 percent appears on the bill for the first time since being

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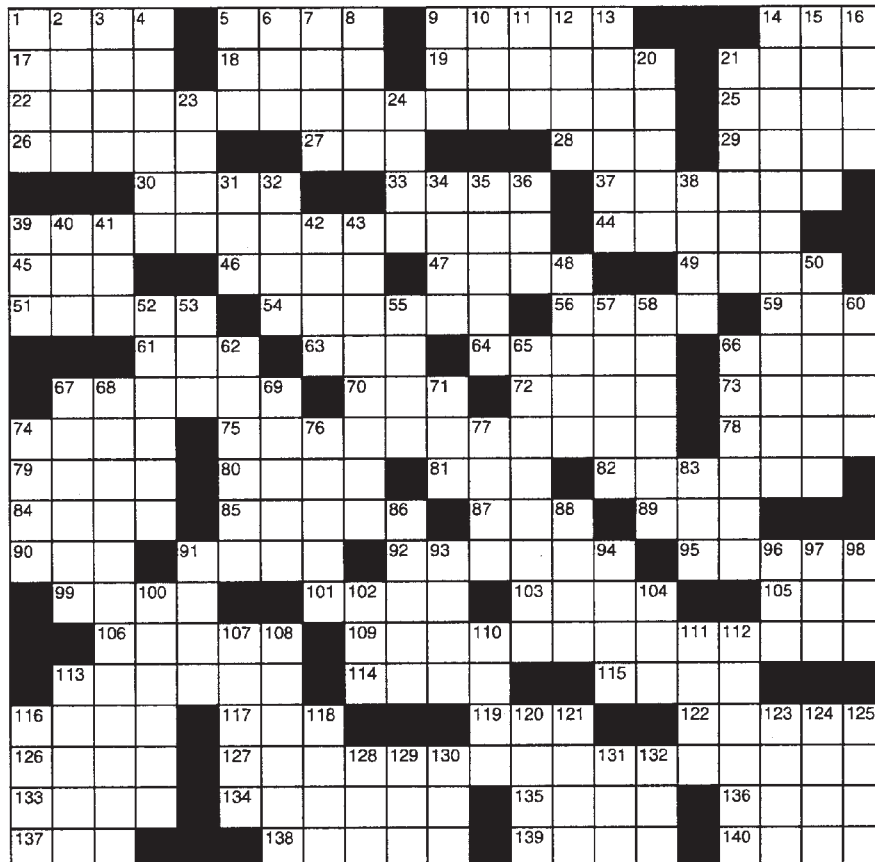
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130 Guys
131 College growth
132 Empower



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Guess what, Lamb? You're about to experience a new perspective on a situation you long regarded quite differently. What you learn could open more opportunities later.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Bold Bovine is tempted to charge into a new venture. But it might be best to take things one step at a time, so that you know just where you are at any given point.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to go on that fun getaway you've been planning. You'll return refreshed, ready and, yes, even eager to tackle the new challenge that awaits you.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The Moon Child loves to fantasize about magical happenings in the early part of the week. But the sensible Crab gets down to serious business by week's end.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) What goes around comes around for those lucky Leos and Leonas whose acts of generosity could be repaid with opportunities to expand into new and exciting areas of interest.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your concern about your job responsibilities is commendable. But you need to take some quiet time to share with someone who has really missed being with you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Aspects favor getting out and meeting new people. And as a bonus, you might find that some of your newly made friends could offer important business contacts.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might take pride in wanting to do everything yourself. But now's a good time to ask family members to help with a demanding personal situation.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Pay more attention to the possibilities in that workplace change. It could show the way to make that long-sought turn on your career path.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your need to succeed might overwhelm obligations to your loved ones. Ease up on that workload and into some well-deserved time with family and friends.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Love rules for amorous Aquarians who can make good use of their ability to communicate feelings. Don't be surprised if they're reciprocated in kind.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Fishing for compliments? No doubt, you probably earned them. But it's best to let others believe they were the ones who uncovered the treasure you really are.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your good works flow from an open, generous heart. Nothing makes you happier than to see others happy as well.

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approved at Town Meeting and on a ballot vote in 2006.

Taxpayers are encouraged to register for making online payments on the eBill website at www.mcc.net. By using eBill taxpayers can have their payments withdrawn from their checking or savings accounts or can make payments using MasterCard, American Express and Discover credit cards. Payments can be made using eBill until 11:59 pm on the due date of February 1. Payments may be mailed to P. O. Box 1596, made during normal work hours or placed in the drop box located near the back corner of Town Hall.

According to state statute, failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer of the requirement to pay the tax bill and any resulting penalties and interest if the payment is late. Interest accrues at a rate of 14 percent per annum on bills not paid by the due date. It is the property owner's responsibility to insure taxes are paid on time and in full.

Please call the Tax Collector's Office at 508-758-4100, extension 1 for questions regarding payments. Questions regarding property values should be directed to the Assessors' Office at 508-758-4100, extension 3. The Tax Collector's Office is open for business Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm.

Rochester Spaghetti Supper

The Rochester Scholarship Committee is holding a Spaghetti Supper fundraiser on Thursday, February 7 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ages 2 through 12. Tickets can be purchased now at the Plumb Corner Market, Bev Loves Books, the Rochester Town Hall, and Lloyd's Market.

Marion Art Center

Dance Program

The Marion Art Center is pleased to announce that Teah Mazzoni has joined the staff as Instructor of Dance. The Dance Program for 3-5 year olds will reopen on Wednesdays, 4:00 to 4:45 pm beginning February 6, 2008. There will be three six-week sessions culminating in a mini-recital in June. Tuition for each session is \$75 for

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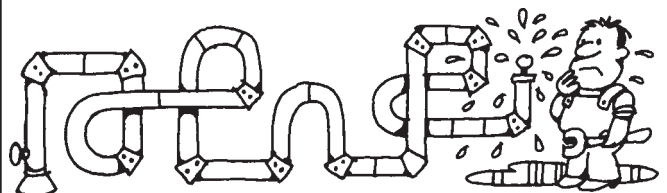
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<p>DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION Division of Wetlands and Waterways Southeast Regional Office 20 Riverside Drive Lakeville, MA 02347 Pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 1341 and M.G.L. c. 21 ss26-53, notice is given of a 401 Water Quality Certification application for the development of an aquaculture operation by Robert M. Field, P.O. Box 1436, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 on Brant Island Cove, in Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. Additional information may be obtained from Robert M. Field, P.O. Box 1436, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, 508-758-2749. Written comments should be sent to MassDEP Southeast Regional Office, Division of Wetlands and Waterways, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347 within twenty-one (21) days of this notice.</p> <p>Any group of ten persons, any aggrieved person or any governmental body or private organization with a mandate to protect the environment who submits written comments may appeal the Department's Certification. Failure to submit written comments before the end of the public comment period may result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing. 01/24</p> <hr/> <p>NOTICE OF INITIAL SITE INVESTIGATION AND TIER I PERMIT APPLICATION Buckley Residence 111 Acushnet Road Mattapoisett, MA RTN: 4-20287</p> <p>A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. To evaluate the release, a Phase I Initial Site Investigation was performed pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0480. As a result of this investigation, the proposed permit category for the site is Tier I C pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0500.</p> <p>On January 25, 2008, Ray Buckley intends to file an Initial Tier I C Permit Application with the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0703 and 40.0704. A permit is required to perform Comprehensive Response Actions at Tier I sites.</p> <p>Anyone interested in reviewing the Initial Tier I Permit Application should contact Jonathan Kitchen of Norfolk Ram Group, LLC at 1 Roberts Road in Plymouth, MA (508) 747-7900 to request a copy of the Application. Written comments related to this Application must be submitted within 20 days of the publication of this notice to: (1) MassDEP, Southeast Regional Office, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA by mail or by hand delivery during normal business hours; and (2) Jonathan Kitchen of Norfolk Ram Group, LLC at 1 Roberts Road in Plymouth, MA. Failure to provide written comments as set forth herein may affect your right, if any, to challenge MassDEP's permit decision.</p> <p>The Application and the disposal site file can be reviewed at MassDEP, Southeast Regional Office, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA, (508) 946-2700.</p> <p>Additional public involvement opportunities are available under 310 CMR 40.1403(9) and 310 CMR 40.1404. 01/24</p> <hr/>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD The Rochester Planning Board will hold a public hearing on proposed revisions to Appendix A of the Rules and Regulations governing the Subdivision of Land entitled "Performance Standards and Design criteria for Stormwater Management Systems." The hearing will be held at Town Hall on Tuesday, February 12, 2008 at 8:00 PM. The proposal is a relatively complete revision including specific focus on the following:</p> <p>Performance Standard revisions in Section 2 including refinement of pre-development definitions and a requirement for endowment of maintenance under selected conditions.</p> <p>More extensive submittal requirements in Section 3.</p> <p>Explicit Design Criteria in Section 4 including specific schedules of minimum setbacks and use of rainfall data from "Atlas of Participation Extremes" from Cornell University.</p> <p>Addition of a Section 5 entitled General Landscaping Guidance.</p> <p>The text may be viewed at the Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road between 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 01/24, 01/31</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #960 The Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of James Moraux, 514 Snipatuit Road; Assessors plan 41 lot 6, who is appealing the decision of the Building Commissioner under MGL 40A. The hearing is scheduled for February 14, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the Town Hall Conference Room. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 01/24, 01/31</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 6, 2008 at 7:40 PM in the Town House main conference room on a Notice of Intent submitted by JOHN A. WHITEMORE for the following pier improvements at 51 East Avenue, Planting Island, shown as Lot 64 on Marion Assessors' Map 3: (1) affix the existing seasonal ramp to a proposed walkway, both of which will be raised to the elevation of the existing timber walkway and supported by the existing timber piles which will be relocated for better alignment, and (2) replace the intermediate float with a raised 12' x 3' aluminum gangway. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Norman A. Hills, Chairman 01/24</p> <hr/>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 11, 2008 in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Notice of Intent submitted by the D'Orlando Nominee Trust.</p> <p>The Applicant proposes to construct a single family dwelling on a open pile foundation with cantilevered decks and access stairs, to install associated underground utilities within a Coastal Dune and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Zone EA (El. 16) resource areas and within the 100-foot Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland, Salt Marsh and Coastal Beach resource areas and to repair an eroded Coastal Dune by installing a Coir Fiber Mat with beach grass plantings within a Coastal Dune, Coastal Beach and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Zone VE (El. 18) resource areas.</p> <p>The applicant also proposes to construct a crushed stone or shell driveway and an associated retaining wall and to fill and grade within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, and within the 100-foot Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland, Salt Marsh and Coastal Dune resource areas. The project is located at Pico Beach and is Further identified as Lot #22 on Mattapoisett Assessor Map #6. Conservation Commission 01/24</p> <hr/> <p>Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps</p> 

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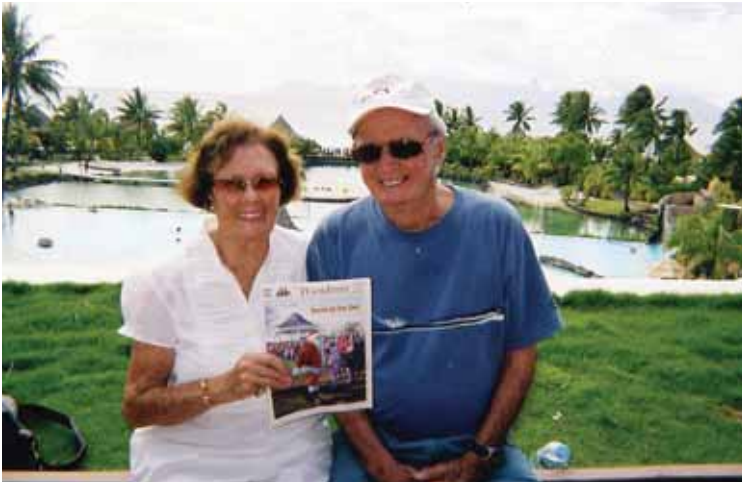
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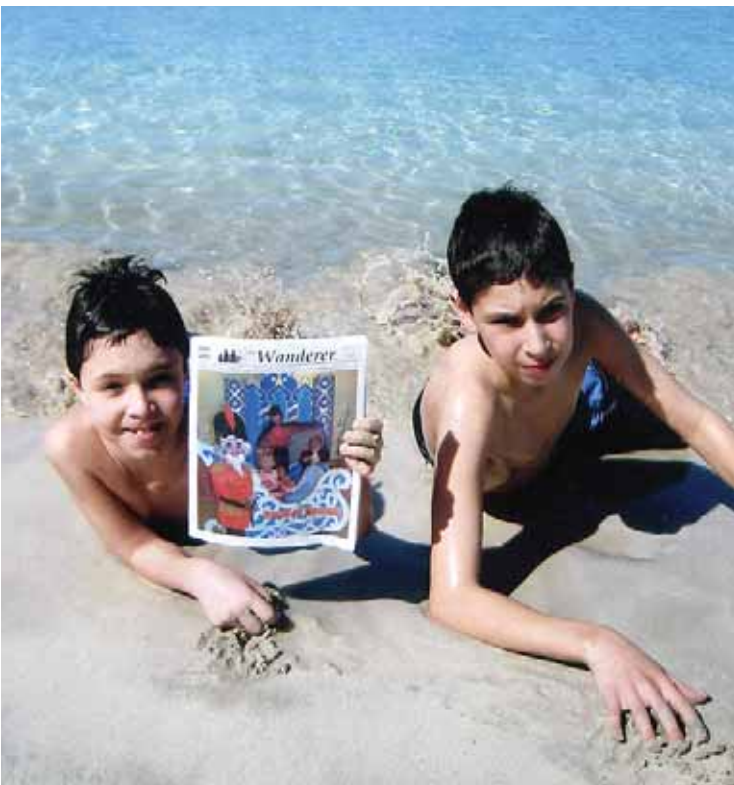
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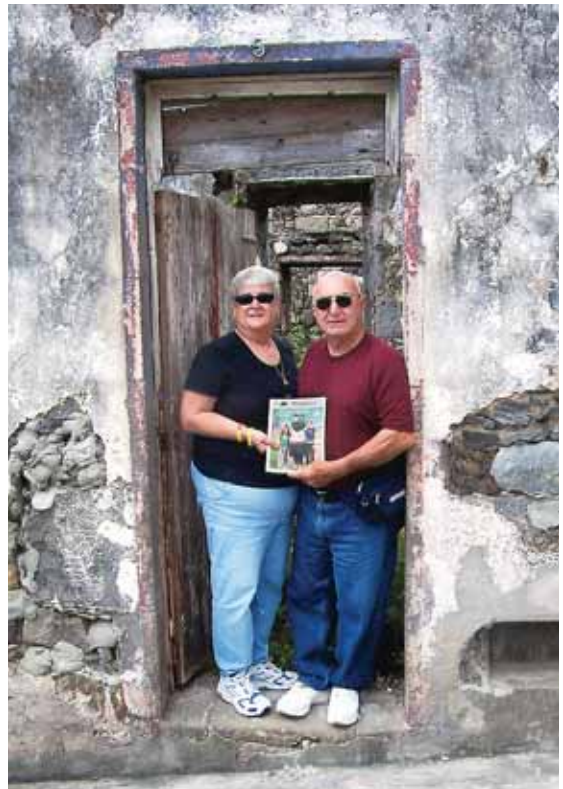
ABOVE: Danielle Francis and Jean-Jacques Laurent pose with a copy of *The Wanderer* in Papeete, Tahiti (French Polynesia) on Christmas Day 2007, with a copy of *The Wanderer* at the Beach Comber Hotel.



ABOVE: Rochester resident Deianeira Underhill (9 years old) is seen here standing in a Mayan Dig Site sporting a copy of *The Wanderer* on a recent family vacation. (Photo courtesy of Dawn Underhill).



ABOVE: Chad and Joel Lavoie are seen holding a copy of *The Wanderer* while swimming at Megan's Bay in Saint Thomas, USVI, on New Year's Day 2008. (Photo courtesy of Joyce Lavoie).



ABOVE: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hubbard of Mattapoisett are pictured posing in front of Mr. Hubbard's grandmother's house in Saint Michael's, Azores, holding a copy of *The Wanderer* during a recent vacation trip. (Photo courtesy of Tim Smith).

Be sure to check out our ‘I’m A Wanderer’ online photo gallery on our website (www.wanderer.com), which includes these and all previously published photographs. Please e-mail digital photos (JPEG or TIFF format, at least 150 dpi) to: news@wanderer.com, or mail sharp, well-lit color prints to: *The Wanderer*, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

love of working with children and pursued a Master of Education Degree at Bridgewater State College where she graduated with a GPA of 4.0 in 2007. She currently is teaching second grade at Rochester Memorial School.

For more information and registration, please call the Marion Art Center 508-748-1266, or stop by during gallery hours: Tuesday to Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Members Show

The Annual Members Show at the Marion Art Center opened last Sunday with a reception to meet the artists. Lisa Whitney and Betsy Fallon hosted the opening. Bo Burbank installed the show. Thirty-six artist members are represented in the show in a variety of media in the exhibition. Most of the work is for sale with prices ranging from \$100 to \$3,000.

Participating artists include: Meg Howland, Kyle Riseley, Joan DeRuggeris, Christine Bean, Lynnette Torres, Sharlie Sudduth, Laura von Zweck, Karilon Grainger, Linda Costa, Maria Boord, Anne MacRae MacLeod, Cynthia Getchell, Joan E. Andrews, G. Bruce West, Lorinda Callahan, Tammi Jane Meehan, Charles Parsons, Gail Marie Nauen, Mary Ross, June Strunk, Kim Van Voris, Thomas Geagan, Natalie Atwood, Nancy Putnam, Betty Beaulieu, Russell Saunders, Priscilla A. Hathaway, Virginia Barry, Mary Nosul, Claudin Poyant, Barbara Geagan, Emily Daybre, Elvita Rocha, David T. Rocha, Judith Rosbe, Paula Cobb, Alice Shire, Betsy Converse and Bo Burbank.

The Members Show runs through February 28. The galleries at the Marion Art Center, located at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets in Marion, are open to the public Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Admission is free.

Young People's Theater

Young People's Theater classes resume on Thursday, January 24 with YPT I for Grades K-2, 3:30 to 4:30 pm. The fee is \$135/\$150. YPT II for Grades 3-5 from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. The fee is \$150/\$165. Advanced YPT meets on Tuesdays, 4:00 to 6:00 pm beginning January 29. Fee is \$165/\$180. Productions will be in May. Please call 508-748-1266 to pre-register.

Annie Giddings is the instructor. She has a B.S. in Human Development with a minor in Theater from Wheelock College and has taught Young People's Theater at MAC for the past eight years. She is also Administrative Assistant of "ARTSTART," the summer program for children formerly known as "Artcamp."

Curious Savage

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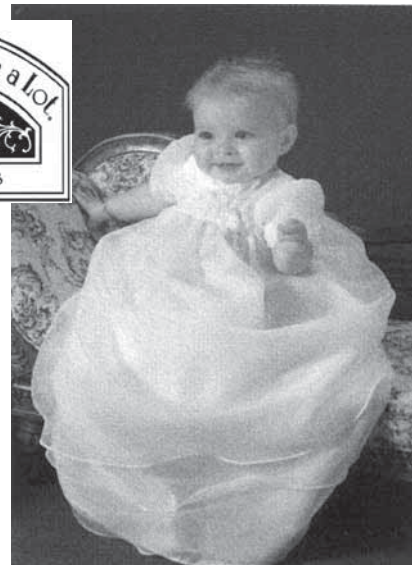
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The Project GROW Parents' Group is holding its annual fundraising concert featuring the Toe Jam Puppet Band on Saturday, January 26 at 2:00 pm. The Toe Jam Puppet Band offers a special brand of hands-on children's entertainment that grown-ups also enjoy. This year's concert will have a pirate theme!

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by Linda Thistle

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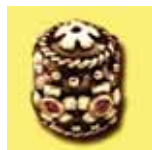
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A screening clinic for children from birth through four-year-olds will be offered by the Old Rochester Regional School District on Wednesday, January 30 at the Sippican School in Marion. Children who live in Marion, Mattapoisett or Rochester are eligible for appointments. The purpose of the screening is to identify young children with potential learning problems or developmental delays.

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



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Upper Cape Alumni Dinner

For years Upper Cape Tech Alumni have discussed the establishment of a viable association which would support and promote the educational, athletic and social endeavors of their alma mater.

This goal has become a reality with over 400 members and a dedicated working committee who have begun to meet monthly. On February 8, Upper Cape Tech's Alumni Association will be hosting a Valentine's Dinner for all past graduates and faculty at The Canal Club in Bourne. A social hour will begin at 6:30 pm with dinner to follow at 7:00 pm. The cost is \$20 per person. Graduates are encouraged to purchase a table of eight for spouses and friends. This evening will give the UCT Alumni the opportunity to mix with each other and former and present faculty.

Future events will include a basketball game between alumni and UCT students. There are also plans for a speakers' bureau of former graduates who will be interacting with students in their technical area.

UCT graduates and past faculty are encouraged to join Kevin Farr, Superintendent, at this important alumni function. To purchase tickets for the Valentine's Dinner, please contact Margie Souza at 508-759-7711, extension 215 or via e-mail msouza@uppercapetech.org or Mary McGowan at 508-563-1852.

Tri-County Symphonic Band

The Tri-County Symphonic Band presents "Old Wine in New Bottles," a concert of new and timeless band arrangements reflecting an earlier age. Featured soloists are Aaron Janik, trumpet and Mack Williamson, drum set. Some of the works to be performed include: "Scenes from the Louvre" by Norman Dello Joio, "Suite of Old American Dances" by Robert Russell Bennett, and "Take the 'A' Train" by Billy Strayhorn.

The concert will be held on Sunday, February 3, 2008 at 3:00 pm in the Old Rochester Regional High School Gilbert D. Bristol Auditorium, 135 Marion Road (Route 6) in Mattapoisett.

Tickets — adults \$10 and students \$5 — may be purchased in advance at Symphony Music Shop in Dartmouth and The Bookstall in Marion. Any remaining tickets will be sold at the door.

Fairhaven Movie Nights

Movie Nights have resumed again at the Millicent Library in Fairhaven. The selections this time around have a science-fiction theme.

Godzilla, the original Japanese version of *Godzilla*, will be screened on Monday, February 4 at 7:00 pm. The rampaging beast awakened by a hydrogen bomb has long been considered a symbol of Japan's post-Hiroshima unease. Unlike the version released in America, this Japanese version does not feature Raymond Burr. The film has



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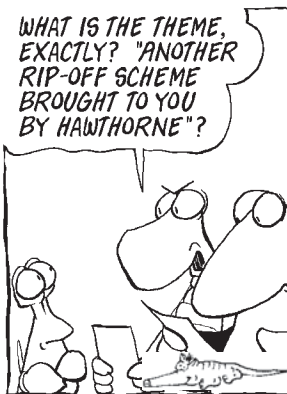
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SHERMAN'S LAGOON by J.P. Toomey



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Mattapoisett Land T Inc	Ida Walega FT Livingston	N/A	Mattapoisett	01/04/2008	1120000

English subtitles and runs 98 minutes.

Then on Monday, March 3 at 7:00 pm, comes the 1984 cult classic *The Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai Across the Eighth Dimension*, starring Peter Weller as a multi-talented leader of Team Banzai, pitted against evil genius John Lithgow. The movie runs 103 minutes and is rated PG.

For the all-ages night, there's *E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial* on Monday, April 7 at 7:00pm. Steven Spielberg's well-loved fantasy about a lonely boy and his alien friend will be shown in its original, unaltered version as seen theatrically in 1982. The movie runs 115 minutes and is rated PG for some mild language.

Finally, on Monday, May 5 at 7:00 pm, prepare for the return of Indiana Jones with a screening of his first cinematic adventure, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*. Whether you're a longtime Indy fan or new to the series, thrill to the action-packed exploits of the daring archaeologist as he tries to find the Ark of the Covenant before the Nazis do. The film runs 115 minutes and is rated PG for violence and mild language.

All movies are free to the public. Screenings will be in the Millicent Library auditorium. Entrance through the elevator lobby on Walnut Street.

Cookies for a Cause

Girl Scout Brownie Troop 75 in Mattapoisett has partnered with VFW Post 1822 to send Girl Scout Cookies to Plymouth and surrounding area troops serving overseas through the Girl Scout Council program "Cookies for a Cause."

Cookies for a Cause is a community service project that creates a partnership between Girl Scout Troops and either a non-profit agency or the U.S. Military (www.gscsm.org). The partnered agency receives cookies while the Girl Scout Brownie Troop 75 receives the incentive for selling the cookies. A box of cookies is \$4 and Troop 75 is offering to donate the purchased cookies to either members of the U.S. Military of the Shepherd's Pantry in Fairhaven. You may also select to designate where your donation goes. All names will be included in a message to the service men and women and/or partner agency.

Please send your donations to Girl Scout Brownie Troop 75, 92 Angelica Avenue, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 and make checks payable to "GS Troop 75, Mattapoisett." For more information, please contact Sandy Thomas at 508-758-1396.

Marion Council on Aging

The Marion Council on Aging (COA) would like to announce the following winter trips. Space is limited and will be on a first call basis.

- January 25: IKEA pick up at 12:30;
- February 15: Country Store in Mansfield pick up at 12:30;
- March 14: Boston Aquarium pick up at 9:00;
- March 28: Lizzie Borden Museum in Fall River pick up at 10:30;
- April 11: Lee's Market pick up at 12:30.

Mattapoisett Transfer Station

The winter hours at the Mattapoisett Transfer Station are now Thursday and Friday, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; and Saturday, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

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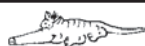
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January 25:	Fri.	9:48	10:12	2:56	3:28
January 26:	Sat.	10:33	10:58	3:38	3:59
January 27:	Sun.	11:17	11:43	4:20	4:31
January 28:	Mon.	11:59	...	5:04	5:08
January 29:	Tues.	12:28	12:43	5:53	5:52
January 30:	Wed.	1:15	1:29	6:54	6:45
January 31:	Thurs.	2:06	2:22	8:14	7:51
February 1:	Fri.	3:06	3:24	9:28	8:59
February 2:	Sat.	4:11	4:28	10:26	9:58
February 3:	Sun.	5:07	5:23	11:15	10:51
February 4:	Mon.	5:53	6:09	11:59	11:40
February 5:	Tues.	6:34	6:50	...	12:41
February 6:	Wed.	7:13	7:30	12:26	1:18
February 7:	Thurs.	7:52	8:10	1:10	1:53
February 8:	Fri.	8:34	8:53	1:53	2:26
February 9:	Sat.	9:16	9:36	2:35	2:59
February 10:	Sun.	10:02	10:23	3:18	3:33

Phases of the Moon

Last Quarter January 30th
New Moon February 7th
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Full Moon February 21st

off the mark

by Mark Parisi



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Party Platter Menu

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Party Size	30.00
(Serving 20-25 People on a 18" Round Decorator Tray)	

Salads

Potato Salad - Party Size ...	25.00
Pesto Pasta Salad	30.00
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Main Platters

	Family Size Serves 8-10	Party Size Serves 15-20
Chicken Cacciatore	30.00	60.00
Chicken Parmesan	30.00	60.00
Eggplant Parmesan	15.00	30.00
Chicken & Eggplant Parmesan Combo	25.00	45.00

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